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The Pope on Postage Stamps

And Important News of the Week

Spain has issued a set of stamps which is to be sold for the benefit of the Roman catacombs. Probably a set with an additional charge over face value as is the custom with such sets. This set of stamps will bear a picture of Pope Pius XI alongside the King of Spain. The funds raised from the sale of these stamps are for the benefit of the catacombs of Sts. Damasus and Praetextus. A picture of the Pope has never before appeared on postage stamps and not since the time of Pius IX has an effigy of the Pope appeared on a coin.

The Spanish are overdoing the commemorative business with this set of stamps. Two sets have been issued, the same plates used for each set, one set being printed for sale at Toledo, Spain, and a set in different colors is printed for Santiago, Spain. Each set consists of 16 values as follows; 2c, 2c, 3c, 3c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 40c, 55c, 80c and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 pesetas. Note that the 2c and 3c value is listed twice as these two values in each set are printed in two sets of color combinations. This makes a total of 32 values for the complete showing. European price quotations are around \$8.50 to \$9.00 for the 32 varieties. The stamps are printed by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd., of London. The workmanship and printing reminding one very much of the 1910 issue of Rhodesia. The stamps are of large size, measuring about 45x35 mm.

The catacombs of Rome of which there are many were originally used for burial places. It was during the first and second centuries that they were built. Originally they were private burial places for individual families and then developed into group use. The catacombs were situated outside the limits of the city walls and within a three mile radius. They were formed by excavating caves or tunnels in the soft stone underground. Roman law respected these burial places as sacred and in later years when the Christians were persecuted and driven from their churches they took refuge in the catacombs and worshipped there. When this came about they dug tunnels from one to another till in a short time all of the principal private catacombs became linked up with innumerable underground passages and the entrances above ground were hidden. About 410 A. D. it became the custom to make burials above ground, for at this time persecution had ceased and the catacombs fell into disuse. Bishop Damasus was instrumental in restoring many of the entrances and chapels above ground and the catacombs became the object of many sacred pilgrimages. Then came the invasion of the Goths, Vandals, Lombards and Saracens which involved the destruction of all suburban buildings about Rome and the closing of the entrances to the catacombs, and at the time of the

invasion of the Saracens in the 9th century the catacombs were filled with earth and finally became lost sight of until the sixteenth century when they were reopened. From this time up to the present, many of the catacombs have been excavated but there are yet a number of them that have never been touched.

George Rogers Clark Stamps

Mr. E. W. Determann of Vincennes, Indiana, sends a clipping from the Vincennes Commercial from which we extract the following information. The new Clark stamps will be issued 32 million strong, to commemorate the capture of Fort Sackville by George Rogers Clark. The present advices are that the stamps will be on sale only at Vincennes on the first day, February 25th, the 150th anniversary of the capture. This is the first time in the history of our special issues that a stamp has been confined to a single office for the first day sale. The Government will have a special representative from Washington to assist the local postmaster in the sale of stamps on this first day. The newspaper clipping states that the stamps will be sold, 25 to each purchaser and that every effort will be made to prevent repeaters from acquiring quantities of the stamps. After the first day sale the stamps will be available at other offices throughout the United

States on the usual requisition by postmasters.

The stamps will be of the same size as our 5c air mail stamps, they will bear a reproduction of Yohn's painting of the capture of Fort Sackville. The stamps are to be in two colors, red frame and black center and will no doubt be a very attractive piece of workmanship.

Mr. Determann has urged the postmaster to make an effort to have the air mail planes which pass over Vincennes, stop and pick up mail on this date as an added feature of the local celebration. It has also been urged that a cachet be applied to mail from Vincennes as an added attraction to stamp collectors who will be interested in first day covers.

Misplaced Molly Pitcher Surcharges

Major Ralph A. Kimball of Chicago writes under date of January 8, "Regarding the misplaced surcharge on the Molly Pitcher stamp, 'I have in my collection the complete lower left pane of 100 of this stamp from plate 19070. The discrepancy occurs between the third and fourth rows from the top, and is constant all across the pane. The normal vertical distance between the rows of surcharges is about 25mm top to top. But the distance between the surcharge on the third row of this pane and the fourth row, is 35mm top to top."

It is our belief that the surcharges on these stamps are applied by the offset lithographic presses in use at Washington and that the plate from which the wording was printed had become damaged and that it was necessary to make a new transfer to the upper portion of the plate and in adding these three top rows of surcharges, the spacing between third and fourth rows shows more distance between them because the new transfer was placed too high on the plate. If this presumption is correct the difference in spacing would show on all stamps from this particular position on the press, after the retransfer was made.

Our U. S. Perforations

Major Kimball also writes regarding the perforations on our current stamps and wants to know why Scott lists them as 11x10½ when he insists that all he has measured are exactly 11½x10½. Major Kimball claims to have made these measurements with one of Scott's own private brand of perforation gauge.

Our mail contains remittances in postage stamps from all parts of the country and an examination of several stamps selected at ran-

dom leads us to believe after careful measurements with one of our own perforation gauges, that the gauge that Major Kimball is placing so much faith in must be inaccurate. Our stamps measure as Scott lists them and we are mailing the Major a supply of our private brand of perforation gauges.

Garfield-Perry Stamp Club

Without exception, this Cleveland stamp club is about the most active organization of stamp collectors in the United States. They always have something doing at their meetings and they are always planning for some big event ahead. The second number of their Bulletin is at hand and plans are already being made for the annual meeting in March. Doc. Schneider, Jim Young and Ham Barnum are the committee in charge for this affair and anyone who attended last year knows that Doc. Schneider can deliver the goods and when we see him assisted by such noble support as Ham Barnum and Jim Young, we know that the annual will be a howling success. The ladies are to be on hand again this year and after some of the oratorical outbursts of last year on the part of the fair sex, and the enthusiasm with which their efforts were received we can look for some keen competition this year when the speech making period is at hand.

Cincinnati Collector's Club

Mr. G. M. Mosler, who is the leading aspirant for A. P. S. president is scheduled for an exhibition and talk at the February 7, meeting of the Cincinnati Collectors' Club. February 21 will be visitors night. The Club meetings are held on the first and third Thursdays of each month at the Cincinnati Club, corner 8th and Race Streets, and visitors are always welcome at the meetings.

Nicklin Joins Lissiuk

Mr. John W. Nicklin who has been identified with the Scott Stamp & Coin Company interests for many years has associated himself with the K. Lissiuk Philatelic Co., Inc. Mr. Nicklin will become the active manager but the services of Mr. Lissiuk will be retained. Mr. Lissiuk is probably the leading expert in this country on stamps of Russia and the Near East as well as having an abundant knowledge of Air Mail stamps of the world.

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theft and recovery of Louis Weissmann's overcoat, but he evidently didn't get his mouth rinsed out or else he took one too many before writing one of his editorial notes on page 20 of his January number where he makes the statement that stamp collecting is "the finest hobby on earth."

Wayne Stamp Society Election

The annual election of officers of the Wayne Stamp Society of Detroit, Michigan, resulted in the following being elected:

President: George Bauer.
Vice Pres.: J. L. Siple.
Secretary: Henry Fritz.
Treasurer: A. M. Doig.
Auction Mgr.: John Hayes.
Pub. Manager: Ward R. Chapin.
Mr. Fitz and Mr. Doig were unanimously re-elected. Meetings held every Thursday at St. Clair Rec. Bldg. All invited to attend.

New Canadian Stamps

In addition to the new 1, 2 and 10c stamps recently issued, seven new stamps have been issued by the post-office department and are on sale to collectors and others desiring special sets to-day. These stamps are issued by the department to replace the old issue which is at present in use. Of the new issue the highest value is the one dollar, which is olive-green in color and depicts Canada's legislative building at Ottawa. The blue fifty cent stamp shows a fishing schooner, off the banks of Newfoundland. The twenty cent is pink in color and depicts a threshing scene. Next in order is the twelve cent gray, on which is shown Quebec bridge. The next three of the set issued to-day, the eight, five and three cent stamps, show a portrait of King George, and are dark blue, purple and red respectively in color. The issue has been acclaimed by collectors and others who have seen the advance plates, as the most beautiful set ever issued by this country and one of the best issues, as far as collections of colorful stamps are concerned, in the world. Each has a huge amount of scroll work around the pictures.

—Marks Stamp Company, Limited

Two Cleveland Clubs Unite

The amalgamation of the Western Reserve Stamp Club and the Cleveland Stamp Club, both of Cleveland, was accomplished on January 8th, when a joint committee of the two clubs presented its findings and the Cleveland Stamp Club officially accepted the report on the amalgamation, voting unanimously to accept the membership lists offered by the Western Reserve Stamp Club.

The Cleveland Stamp Club is now one of the largest clubs in the

Middle West and members are working constantly to add to the membership.

The Western Reserve Stamp Club closed its membership role at the meeting held on January 3rd but will continue as a live and active organization, meeting upon call of the president, at the Hotel Cleveland, meeting place of the Cleveland Stamp Club.

The program of the Cleveland Stamp Club for February twelfth and twenty-sixth is as follows:

February 12th; Erwin Strasser
—Air mail.

February 26th; Donation Auction.

The Stamp News

The above is the name of the new semi-monthly paper that has been announced and has now made its appearance under the guidance of Mr. E. B. Power. Mr. Power originally made his debut in this country in the stamp game as the American representative of Stanley Gibbons of London, England. Since that time he has dabbled a bit with numerous different ventures in a more or less meteoric way. The Editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News used to admire Mr. Power very much for his vigorous work in the different fields that he started out to conquer. Mr. Power popularized U. S. Booklet pages, U. S. Plate Number Blocks, and we might almost give him credit for U. S. Twentieth Century. Not since he gave up his activity in these lines has there been another dealer who has boomed and boosted the material with the same vigorous efforts that were used by Power. Some time ago he sold out his interests in the firm of Stanley Gibbons Inc., now doing business at 38 Park Row, New York, and hied himself to the shores of the Mediterranean where he planned to live the life of a gentleman of leisure. It appears however that Mr. Power was too full of vim, vigor and vitality to enjoy such an existence as this and he came back to New York and again entered into the stamp dealing game in the field of British Colonial New Issues.

His latest venture is now before us in the form of a 12 page four column paper of the size and form of the well known Mekeels Weekly Stamp News. The paper is filled with matter of interest to the stamp collector and has a special department devoted to Air Mails. Much of the reading matter is devoted to rarities and stamps for the "four hundred".

The paper is printed by the J. W. Stowell Company of Federalburg, Md. We had hoped the first number as well as subsequent numbers would be better looking from a typographical standpoint at least.

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Philatelist or Stamp Collector

By TOM TWEEZER

I HAVE always liked to be known as a stamp collector. Somehow, the term philatelist suggests the high brow. However, no one need be ashamed to acknowledge themselves a philatelist, providing they can qualify. Most stamp collectors graduate to a place within the inner circle of philately, if they possess average intelligence and stick to the hobby long enough.

The question arises what is the distinction between stamp collector and philatelist, if any, and why? Philologically there is but little difference. Just the same there is a tacit understanding amongst the elite of stampdom and the interests which foster and keep alive this beautiful hobby that a person should know something about stamps before he poses as a philatelist. Otherwise, in the hands of irresponsibles the term would cause derision and fall from popular esteem. Surely there is truth in this. You would not call a window gardener a horticulturist, nor a back lot gardener an agriculturist; nor a dabbler in drawing an artist, or a peddler of fifty cent spectacles an optometrist.

Anyone may form a collection of postage stamps and become a collector. There are many who do not like to be too serious with their hobby. Having taken it up solely for relaxation, they like to turn to their albums for a brief period now and then, just to add a few specimens or look over and admire their accumulation. Millimetre scale, benzine cup, perforation scale and the like do not appeal to this class. They can take their stamps, or leave them. They will never become philatelists, and don't want to. They are simply stamp collectors or gatherers, and proud of it.

On the other hand, many stamp collectors are gifted with simple inquisitiveness, or perhaps they are merely more thorough. This type of collector wants to know all the little ins and outs and trade technicalities connected with the manufacture of and issuance of these fascinating little squares of paper and the message they contain. They measure the perforations, study the paper, look for minor differences and delight in separating different issues as revealed by watermark or slight variation in color shade. Later on, these academically inclined stampists ignore printed albums, rebuild (plate) sheets of a certain stamp by picking individual specimens

from thousands, and frequently take up a single country or group of countries or perhaps just a single stamp and work over their adopted pet with all the ardor of a vivisectionist, employing all known scientific aids in their search for information. It is surprising what a wealth of facts these workers unearth. They earn their degree by hard work. To them their hobby is a serious enterprise and the harder they labor at it the more pleasure they have.

My opinion is that one may rightfully be called a philatelist and still not have to go through the gruelling and intensive exercises indulged in by our specialist brethren. Several years of enthusiastic, whole-hearted collecting and regular contact with good philatelic journals will awaken a wholesome interest in "the hobby of kings." The spark thus kindled leads to a knowledge of the fundamentals of philately, and it is only a question of time when the erstwhile tyro is a full-fledged philatelist, even though he personally prefers to retain the simple designation of "stamp collector."

ARTIST IS SUICIDE

**Emil Fuchs, Ill With Cancer,
Takes Own Life.**

Suffering from cancer and "unwilling to be a burden to himself and his surroundings," Emil Fuchs, internationally famous sculptor and painter, fired a bullet through his heart to end his agony.

The only explanation of his act was the following note, left for his sister:

"You would not like to see me wasting away much more. I am already a burden to myself and a burden to my surroundings. To live longer would only mean prolonging my agony."

The artist had already been operated on last June for internal cancer. Years ago in England he had made the portrait of King Edward VII, and later the portraits of the late Judge Elbert H. Gary, John McCormack and many other noted personages. He was a close friend of King Edward.

—Columbus Evening Dispatch.

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When plans were made for publication of this paper, the matter of time between receipt of copy and mailing of the paper was given serious consideration. We have clipped several days off of the time that is required by our contemporaries. As we grow and become more firmly established it is our plan to include in the paper a special late news page. This page will be held up till the very last minute. When news of any importance comes in even as late as Thursday, we will arrange to get it in type and include in the paper that will be mailed two days later, on Saturday. Where there is not enough matter to fill this page other material will be added to close up the page. By this system we will be rendering collectors a service far better than they can hope for from any other source.

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- (1) Ottawa, Ontario, to Saint John, New Brunswick, via Montreal—semi-weekly.
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The airplane will leave Ottawa at 5:45 a. m. reaching Montreal (St. Hubert) about 7:00 A. M. leaving Montreal 7:30 A. M. and reaching Saint John about noon. On the return flight the plane would leave Saint John not later than 12:00 noon proceeding to Ottawa via Montreal.

Arrangements are being made in connection with the flight between Halifax and Saint John whereby a noon-day exchange of mails will be effected.

Registered mail properly prepaid will be accepted for conveyance.

Special delivery letters will also be carried if properly prepaid both as regards air mail postage and the special delivery rate.

In order to commemorate the inauguration of the first official air mail services to the Maritime Provinces, the following special cachets will be used:

Ottawa—Saint John
Montreal—Saint John
Saint John—Halifax
Halifax—Saint John
Saint John—Montreal
Saint John—Ottawa

However, these special cachets will be used only on such covers as are sent to the different Postmasters bearing Canadian postage at the air mail rate which is 5c for the first ounce and 10c for each succeeding ounce or fraction thereof.

All covers so prepaid and bearing an indication as follows:

VIA AIR MAIL Ottawa—Saint John or Saint John—Halifax, etc.

whichever the case may be will be date-stamped by the receiving Postmaster and back-stamped at the Post Office at the end of the flight in addition to bearing the special commemorative cachet. There will be no mail carried by plane from Ottawa for delivery in Montreal nor will any mail originating in Montreal be carried by plane for delivery in Ottawa.

If you are interested in air mail covers and are anxious to secure the special cachets it would be advisable to prepare your covers at the earliest possible moment and forward them under cover to the Postmaster at the point at which you desire your covers to enter the flight with the request that they be held until this air mail service commences. All covers handled in this manner must bear the necessary Canadian postage at the air mail rate or should be accompanied by a Money Order covering the correct amount of postage.

As these flights are experimental and the schedule tentative, it is not possible to guarantee the conveyance of any particular mail other than that forwarded specifically to the different Postmasters en route.

All covers conveyed on these flights addressed to points beyond the terminus and which have been specially forwarded to the Postmaster at any stopping point on the air route for inclusion in the flight will be placed in the ordinary mails at that point and will go forward to the addressee in the ordinary way.

Miami to Porto Rico Air Mail

The air mail service to Cuba, Hayti, Santo Domingo and Porto Rico is now a reality. The first flight from Miami was made on schedule on January 7, we have not yet received covers from this flight and thus cannot describe the cachet. However the return flight from Porto Rico was made on January 9, this is the first flight from Porto Rico. We have a cover from Mr. George S. Chapman, the cachet is in magenta and a very attractive one it is. A rec-

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New 5c Air Mail Envelopes

The new 5c Government embossed Stamped envelopes for the Air Mail are now out. The date for issue is January 12. The number 13 size which is about the same size as the standard size commercial envelope is the only one issued thus far. Two other sizes are to

appear later, date of issue is unannounced at present. These new air mail envelopes have the red and blue border of diamond shaped spots, the stamp proper is in blue. The design is circular, just over an inch in diameter, the center is solid blue, around the solid blue center are the letters "U. S. POSTAGE" at top, "VIA AIR MAIL" at the bottom. A blue outer line surrounds the wording. Across the solid blue center and projecting outside the outer line is spread an airplane, below the plane a large figure "5" with a "c" mark at right. The airplane is embossed and is outlined with a blue line.

We are indebted to Mr. A. E. Gorham, of Washington, D. C., for a specimen of this new envelope.

MIAMI-NASSAU

Covers over the first flight from Miami, Florida, to Nassau, Bahamas, have made the trip and returned home. Not having made previous preparations for sending covers on this flight the editor finally decided to shoot through a couple of covers on the chance that they would make connections and get across in time. As a result, two envelopes were addressed to Mrs. George Ward Linn, General Delivery, Nassau, Bahamas. I knew that the wife was at home with me and that they couldn't be delivered down there and would come back and sure enough they did. The covers were mailed from Columbus, Ohio, on December 30, went via air mail to Cleveland, thence to Miami and caught the plane for Nassau on January 2, arrived Nassau on the same date, are postmarked again on January 5 on which date they started back home and arrived in Columbus on January 12. It can not be told from marking on the covers whether they came back by air mail or otherwise.

The cachet is a very attractive one, showing an airplane in flight over the sea. The inscription reads, "First Flight—Air Mail—International F. A. M. 7—Miami—Nassau". Cachet is in violet.

EXTENSION OF C. A. M. 16

J. J. Fields, superintendent of mails at Louisville, Ky., is authority for the statement that the post office department plans to extend the C. A. M. Route 16, now flying from Cleveland, Ohio, to Louisville, on to Dallas, Texas, in the summer. This would probably be by way of Nashville, Memphis and Little Rock, thence to Dallas.

LINDBERGH TO FLY CANAL ZONE ROUTE

The flight to Cristobal Canal Zone scheduled for January 11 has been postponed to February 4, so that if you have not sent covers for this flight you have another chance. Postage on this flight is 25c for one half ounce for the air mail, plus 2c postage on the letter.

Mails that have already been sent to Miami for this flight will be held until the date of the flight according to information in the Government announcement. In connection with this flight we notice in newspaper announcements that arrangements have been made whereby Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh will pilot the plane on this first flight to Cristobal, Canal Zone.

AIR MAIL SHOWS HEAVY LOSS

W. Irving Glover, second assistant postmaster general, states that the air mail business of the U. S. shows a deficit of about \$5,000,000 per year at the present time. The recent reduction in rates has increased the poundage at the same time it has increased the use of the air mail and thus has kept the government in the "red" to about the same extent as previously. Congress however has granted permission to the postmaster general to reduce the rates paid contractors after they have been carrying the mail over any given route for two years and several contractors are slated to appear and talk over reduced rates with Uncle Sammy. At the beginning of contract service most of the

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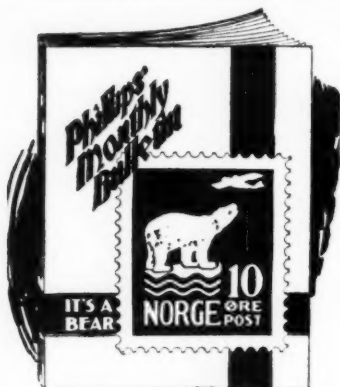
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office of the News in the past
month. We feel obliged to mention
several of these, besides having
already acknowledged some of
them by mail.

Rev. Max J. Philipp who is now
the Chaplain of St. Johns Sana-
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By Howard C. Buttermore

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Since collectors in general have added this very interesting side line they are delighted with the wonderful showing the seals make and many have written me that these pages are among the most admired and talked about in their collections.

The first seals were issued in 1907 and each Christmas adds another seal to the set, every one different and many different sizes—blocks of four are very attractive and show up the coloring nicely.

The 1928 seal shows the gallant ship "Argosy" and was designed by Mr. John W. Evans of New York, approximately 1,972,185,700 seals were printed and the printing was divided between these companies as follows:

Edwards & Deutsch	
Litho. Co.	628,160,700
Eureka Specialty Co.	770,975,000
Strobridge Litho. Co.	573,050,000

Total1,972,185,700

The seals come perforated twelve and so far I have noticed two very distinct shades.

Some of the 1927 and 1928 seals were surcharged "Bonne Sante" and sold in Canada, my collection also contains the progressive proof sets for both years, the 1928 set showing seven different stages of the printing of the seals.

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